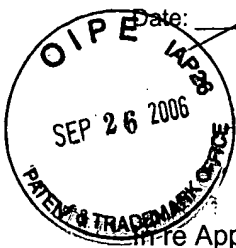


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 27, 2006, enclosed are the following documents:

1. Response to Office Action Mailed March 27, 2006 (17 pages);
2. Statement of Sameness (1 page);
3. Sequence Listing in computer readable format and paper copy (7 pages);
4. Three-Month Extension of Time and the fee of \$1,020.00 (2 pages, in duplicate);
5. Power of Attorney to Prosecute Application Before the USPTO (1 page); and
6. Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b) (1 page).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1048, referencing Attorney Docket No. GC717-2-US. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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